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Sir:

In response to the Notification of Missing
Requirements under 35 USC 371 mailed June 14, 2001,
Applicants hereby submit a newly executed Declaration that
identifies the above application by serial number and filing
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The required surcharge as set by 37 CFR 1.492 (e) is also submitted herewith, along with a copy of the subject Notice.

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Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted that all elements of the application have now been filed and an early and favorable examination on the merits is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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